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WITH OLIGONUCLEOTIDES CONTAINING
CG MOTIFS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated April 29, 2005. Please note that the period for response has been extended until September 29, 2005 by the accompanying Petition and fee. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.